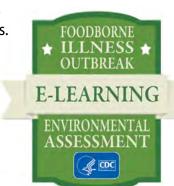
e-Learning on Environmental Assessment of Foodborne Illness Outbreaks

Register Today!

CDC's e-Learning course provides training on how to use a systems approach in foodborne illness outbreak environmental assessments. Participants acquire in-depth skills and knowledge to

- Investigate foodborne illness outbreaks as a member of a larger outbreak response team,
- Identify an outbreak's environmental causes, and
- Recommend appropriate control measures.

Visit www.cdc.gov/nceh/ehs/eLearn/EA_FIO/index.htm for information on how to register for the course. After you register, CDC will give you a user account.



Course Information

Before you start the course, you will take a pretest to assess your current knowledge. After the pretest, you can start the course on foodborne illness outbreak environmental assessment, which includes the following sections:

- 1. Your assignment
- Overview of foodborne illness outbreak environmental assessments
- 3. Effective interviewing skills
- 4. Observation and record review
- 5. Sampling
- 6. Critical thinking skills
- 7. Organizing assessment information
- 8. Control strategies and concluding actions



Virtual training exercise of simulated interview with food worker.

The course is presented in the context of a simulated virtual environment where participants can interact and practice the skills being learned. The course can be completed in about 8-10 hours.

Completion Certificates

Certificates of completion are awarded to all who successfully finish the course.



Continuing Education

Continuing education units (CEUs) are available free for this e-Learning course if it is passed within the first two attempts. CDC is approved as an authorized provider of CEUs by the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), 1760 Old Meadow Road, Suite 500, McLean, VA 22102. CDC is authorized by IACET to offer 0.9 IACET CEUs for this program.



Refrigerator contents seen in a simulated environmental assessment of a restaurant facility.

More About the e-Learning Course and NVEAIS

CDC developed the National Voluntary Environmental Assessment Information System (NVEAIS) to collect environmental data from foodborne illness outbreak investigations. CDC highly recommends completing this e-Learning course before participating in NVEAIS; however, the course can be taken independently of NVEAIS.

Course Development

This national foodborne illness outbreak environmental assessment course was collaboratively developed by CDC with the help of its Environmental Health Specialists Network (EHS-Net) grantees, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. EHS-Net is a collaborative forum of local, state, and federal food program officials who work toward understanding the environmental causes of foodborne and waterborne disease.

Quick Links

- E-Learning on Environmental Assessment of Foodborne Illness Outbreaks: www.cdc.gov/nceh/ehs/eLearn/EA_FIO
- National Voluntary Environmental Assessment Information System: www.cdc.gov/nceh/ehs/NVEAIS/
- Environmental Health Specialists Network: www.cdc.gov/nceh/ehs/EHSNet
- Questions? Email NVEAIS@cdc.gov